



Bathgate Park School

Te Mea Nui, He Tangata

Term 4 Week 1

Kia ora koutou, Mālō e lelei, Talofa, Bula, Ola,
Namaste, Kamusta, Bonjour, Ni hau, Greetings to
you all.

It was lovely to see all of the children and staff
back looking refreshed and keen for the term
ahead. There is a lot happening this term and
already the week has kicked off with a range of
activities.

Bike Track

The children got a wonderful surprise when they came to school on Monday, to see a new painted bike track on the asphalt area at the back of the school. Thanks to funding support from the DCC, we have had a mini track painted which mimics real road design and thus allows the students to practice their bike skills and being able to "ride on the road". A huge thank you also to the Bike in Schools coordinators who supported us to be aware of this opportunity and to facilitate getting this project completed. We look forward to having them back in the school with our year 6 & 7 students later this term.

Earthquake / Tsunami Drill

On Thursday the whole school took part in the National Shake Out drill at 9.30am. We used this opportunity to think about "*long, strong, get gone*" and as how this could trigger a possible tsunami. Our earthquake and tsunami procedures were practiced, with everyone evacuating up to the Frances Hodgkin's carpark. Well done to all the children and staff. It would be timely for you to go over your evacuation procedures for home so your child knows what to do in a similar situation at home.

Where do they go? (Be aware of the possibility of falling objects including power lines).

Where is your meeting place?

Who can they go to for help?

Your fire evacuation place may not be suitable for your earthquake evacuation.



Our freshly painted bike track
being put to good use today.



Lucky Book Club

Final date for orders
is October 30th.
Orders to the office
please. Please add a
note to the order if
you do not want the
books sent home with
your child when they
arrive.



Teacher Only Day

Tuesday October 27.



Spooktacular Disco

Thursday October 29.
Juniors 4:30-6:00.
Seniors 6:30 - 8:00.

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Kindly and
gently

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RESPECT

Yourself,
others and
the
environment

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Your actions

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HAVE

A positive
attitude

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ALWAYS

Do your best



Board of Trustees Meeting

The next meeting is Monday 19 October. This meeting is going to be at 6.30pm in the staffroom. We would love to have you attend. This meeting is earlier than normal due to Labour Day.

Amazing Readers

I love it when I have students come down to share their learning and successes with me. The smiles beaming on their faces and the enthusiasm with which they share the pride they feel in their achievements is so exciting to see. Here are a couple of examples of these. These wonderful students have each reached a range of personal milestones.



Such pride showing on the faces of these students displaying their work.

Term Dates – Term 4

Calendar of Events for this term will come out with next week's newsletter but here are a few dates to mark on your calendar:

Te Rakiātea Whānau Hui - Tuesday 21 October 5.30-6.30.

Labour Day - Monday 26 October; **SCHOOL CLOSED**

Teacher Only Day - Tuesday 27 October; **SCHOOL CLOSED**

School Spooktacular Disco - Thursday 29 October

Year 8 Camp - Tuesday 10- Friday 13 November

Ms Latimer Farewell - Friday 20 November 1.45pm

Final Formal Assembly - Tuesday 15 December 11.20am

Final day of Term - Wednesday 16 December 3pm close. - Clean up day.

Tidiest Classroom

Well done to:

Week 1 = Tāwhiri

BGP FUN RUN

Next Friday 23rd October is our school Fun Run event.

So far \$1500 has been raised to go towards new sports gear for our students.

Every student who raises at least \$10 for our school gets to choose from some very cool prizes. The more funds they raise, the better the prizes are they can select.

It is not too late to sign your child up. Go to schoolfunrun.co.nz to sign your child up for our school.

Our event will be a Whānau house event which means students can come to school in mufti, dressed in their house colours.

This year to add to the excitement - our fun run is also going to be a colour run! We have been provided with (washable) powder colours to use on the day. More details about this event will be sent to families next week.



